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Bicyclist Struck by Vehicle

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On December 28, 2012 at approximately 2:30 p.m. Bluffton Police officers responded to a traffic collision involving a bicyclist and a vehicle near the intersection of Bluffton Parkway and Buck Island Road.

Investigation into this incident revealed that a red 2004 Ford Pick-up Truck was stopped for a traffic signal in the northbound lane on Buck Island Road. The bicyclist was traveling westbound in the eastbound lane on Bluffton Parkway. The traffic control signal turned green and the Ford began traveling through the intersection. The bicyclist rode in front of the vehicle, causing the vehicle to strike the bicyclist.

The bicyclist, identified as Davon Polite, was transported to Hilton Head Hospital for minor injuries sustained from the collision. The bicyclist was also issued a citation for Failure to ride on the right side of the roadway.

The operator of the vehicle, identified as Hugo Toledo, was issued a citation for Operating a vehicle without a license.

The Bluffton Police Department recommends individuals walking or bicycling obey all traffic laws relating to the movement of pedestrians and bicycles.